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OUR CITY DADS.

Transact Large Amount of Business.

Railroad Franchise Put to Sleep

Because $2,000 Did Not Show Up.

Several Contracts for Street Work Awarded—A Number of Resolutions of Intentions.

Board of Trustees.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held last evening at the Town Hall. Present Trustees Cripps, Martin, Hoff and President pro tem Richards.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Street Superintendent Chick reported that he had repaired the Fourth street sewer and it was in good order.

The President reported that the water company had one or two matters to attend to before they could put a four inch main in College avenue, and that he would be able to report at the next meeting upon the mains in San Pablo avenue.

In reference to the sidewalk on Deakin, Prince and Russell streets the street committee reported favorably.

Trustee Hoff stated that he had seen Mrs. Gast, one of the owners of property on Ninth street and she wanted the street graded. This was the property purported to be owned by T. F. Graber. It belonged to Mrs. Gast however, and at the time of the protest Mr. Graber had no authority to make any protest. The work was ordered done.

The Finance Committee reported favorably upon the following bills:

ROAD FUND.

Barney Bruckman	$ 4 00
Contra Costa Water Co	8 00
Dan Balkam	15 00
Studebaker Manfg. Co	3 00
Henry Stein	9 00
M. Duncan	3 50
W. J. Schmidt	5 00
H. Germain	7 00
G. D. Jones	78 00
R. J. Carter	94 50
John Benning	78 00
P. Fee	94 50
M. D. Day	99 75
John Nevill	91 00
M. J. Glennon	52 85
M. J. Glennon	3 50
Lewis Koch	47 00

GENERAL FUND.

Richard Lloyd	125 00
F. S. Rawson	70 00
Chas. T. Kerns	70 00
Guy H. Chick	115 00
M. L. Hanscom	100 00
Isaac W. Wells	75 00
John Squires	85 00
B. A. Hayne	100 00
M. Lauterbech	60 00
Dr. H. N. Rowell	35 00
Frank James	40 00
C. A. Klinkner	6 00
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W. F. Esmond	12 00
Edwards Pub. Co	3 00
J. Gardner	1 50
Contra Costa Water Co	7 25
Alameda Water Co	134 00
GAZETTE Pub. Co	6 45
C. S. Preble	70 00
Berkeley Electric Light Co	600 20

The claims for the electric light companies for $219 45 and $621, which had been laid over since May, were allowed.

The President stated that the general fund was not exhausted and that from this on the warrants would be cashed by the bank.

The claim of B. A. Hayne of $25 for stationery and typewriting was allowed.

The bill of the Advocate for advertising on Bancroft way was not allowed. The attorney stated that she would have to get the same from Mr. Heywood.

The License Committee recommended that a license be granted to F. Munday, to conduct a saloon on Delaware street, and the same was granted.

The License Committee opposed the license for Jacob Lentz as he had not got the five nearest signatures, and because he was not a fit person to run a saloon as he was a law breaker, having already violated the law by selling liquor without a license.

A large petition of residents in the neighborhood of the saloon was received, protesting against the issuing of a license. The license was refused.

The Electric Light Committee had no report to make, as the chairman of the committee had been out of town during the past two weeks.

Trustee Martin stated that the town property was not properly looked after. That a few days ago some persons had gone into the Lorin fire house and had taken the engine therefrom and had ditched it, causing considerable damage. He moved that the superintendent of streets be put in charge of the Fire Department property, and that the officers of the department be notified to obey his instructions in reference to the management of the property.

The plumbing ordinance was read and placed upon its final passage and adopted.

The ordinance for the collection of taxes was put upon its final passage and adopted.

These ordinances were referred to the attorney for the purpose of making some amendment to them at the next meeting.

Rod Cameron sent in his resignation as the Official Numberer, and his resignation was accepted.

R. E. Gordon asked for a free license to peddle notions and the same was granted.

William Hansen asked for a free license to peddle vegetables and the same was denied.

A communication was received from Isaac W. Wells asking that he be allowed to have the carpet in the Board room taken up and cleaned and padded before it was put down. Also that the carpet now in the Marshal's office be removed and be replaced with linoleum. The President was requested to have the carpet cleaned and relaid and the walls and the ceiling of the Board room kalsomined, and to report upon the other business at the next meeting of the Board.

Samuel Coey presented a petition to the Board asking to be appointed to the position of special officer, to serve without pay. Upon recommendation of Marshal Lloyd the appointment was made.

A communication was received from property owners on Fulton street, between Russell street and Ashby avenue, for a sidewalk. The work was ordered done.

A communication from property owners on Fulton street, between Ward and Prince streets, asking that the same be graded, curbed and macadamized, was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolution of intention was ordered drawn for sidewalk on Alcatraz avenue from Sacramento to Idaho streets and on Idaho to Dalton street and on Dalton street to the town limits.

A communication was received from property owners on Milvia street, asking that a four-foot sidewalk be laid on said street from Stuart to Russell streets. Resolution was ordered drawn.

C. B. Earl petitioned the Board for a sidewalk on Hilgard avenue, from LeRoy avenue to Lookout Place. Referred to the Street Committee.

A communication was received from property owners on Kelsey street, asking for a sewer in said street from Stuart to Russell, and a four-foot sidewalk on Stuart street to College avenue. Referred to Street Committee.

Communication from property owners on Cedar street asking permission to grade, curb, macadamize and gutter the same from Oxford to Arch streets and from Arch to Spruce streets. Laid over until next meeting

A communication was received from property owners on Channing way, between Telegraph avenue and College way, asking for a six-foot wooden sidewalk. Referred to Street Committee.

Michael Murphy asked for permission to sewer by private contract, Bowditch street, from Channing way to Haste street.

J. B. Warren asked the Board to place an arc light at the corner of Hilgard avenue and Euclid avenue.

Mr. Martin gave notice that as long as the people of the First Ward wanted to keep the lights on the electric tower just so long would they go without lights distributed through the ward.

A petition was received asking permission to lay by private contract a sidewalk in front of the store at the corner of Calais and Fairview streets which was granted.

Marshal Lloyd gave a detailed account of the wanderings of the horse belonging to the town.

The Marshal made the following report for the month:

Report of all moneys received by him for the town of Berkeley for the month of July.

One second-class merchant,s license, $11; three fourth class, $12; four fifth class, $12; thirty-nine sixth class, $97-50; three laundry licenses, $33; six laundry agents, $12; seven peddlers, $105; twelve solicitors, $60; sixteen drummers, $40; eight liquor peddlers, $80; four real estate, $24; one express one horse, $2.50; two express two horses, $10; saloon $100.

Ten percent for collecting (except saloon licenses for which there is no fee allowed), $49.90; fees from Justices' courts, $24.60; dog licenses, $140.

The poundmaster reported that he had captured 22 horses and cows during the month and 27 dogs, that the total receipts were $31.

The following contracts were awarded: George Stutt, grading and curbing Durant street, Oakland Paving Company, for mscadamizing and guttering Ellsworth street. George Stutt, for grading and curbing Ellsworth street.

The proceedings for the macadamizing Shattuck avenue were rescinded and a new resolution of intention was ordered published for doing the work.

The following resolutions of intention were ordered published: Grading and curbing of Walnut street, macadamizing and guttering of Walnut street, sidewalk Alcatraz Avenue.

The Street Superintendent was instructed to notify all property owners that if they did not clean the weeds off from in front of their premises on the walks and in the gutters by the 15th day of September, the work will be done by the town at the property owner's expense.

An ordinance fixing the fees for the Justices of the Peace was passed to print.

The Street Committee was instructed to look after the filling of the hole over the culvert on Oxford street and Allston way.

Trustee Cripps thought that it was not possible at the present time to lay a sewer in Derby street. The Street Superintendent explained a feasible plan for the sewer and it was referred to the Street Committee.

All but one of the Commissioners for street openings made progressive reports last evening. The other Commissioner has until the next meeting to make his report.

In this connection Mr. Martin accused the Clerk of giving the Board's business to the Advocate before it was brought up in the Board and he desired that it did not occur again. The Clerk admitted writing the article but said his information had been gathered before he was elected to the office of Clerk, but denied that he ever used himself or made public any matter pertaining to the business of the Board.

The Southern Pacific Railroad Company protested against paying twice for a culvert underneath the tracks on Shattuck avenue, and the Board and Town Attorney sustained the protest.

Mr. Richardson made another ineffectual attempt to foist a water works system in Berkeley. The Clerk was instructed to notify him that the Board had no money to spend in this matter and could do nothing for them.

To the Honorable Board of Trustees Town of Berkeley:

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned beg leave to submit to you the work of the Health Officer Officer for the month of July: Number of deaths, 10; number of births, 12; infections and contagious diseases—diptheria, 1; typhoid fever, 1.

The work of inspecting the sewerage and plumbing of the various wards is now in progress.

The First Ward, except the Scenic Park tract is completed. We find 37 houses not conforming to the ordinance relating to house connections with sewers and the maintenance of vault closets. The work of iuspecting the second ward was left unfinished in order to give attention to the Fifth Ward where diptheria prevailed.

We find the Fifth Ward sadly in need of inspection. Forty eight houses in about one-half the ward were found in an unsanitary condition.

Notices are being served upon the owners and will be carefully prosecuted until the necessary improvements are made.

Inspection of interior plumbing has been made by the Sanitary Inspector in three instances.

Respectfully Submitted,
HUBERT N. ROWELL,
Health Officer.
FRANK B. THOMPSON,
Sanitary Inspector.

The meeting then adjourned.

Professor Hilgard, who has been confined to his bed since his return from Denver is now convalesing.

Timothy J., and Martha Rigney to Hugh Hogan, lot 52, Vista Home stead Association.

As there was only four Trustees in attendance at the meeting last evening the lobby showed a corresponding gathering. What few there were in attendance had the appearance of being quite intelligent people nowever.

The United States cruiser Columbia arrived at New York yesterday from England, making the trip across the Atlantic in eleven minutes less than seven days. Her average hourly speed was 18.53 knots, and her best run in one hour was 20,60 knots. This beats any record of any warship ever built.

Mrs. Ollie Corbett has been granted a divorce from the pugilist. She is allowed $5200 per year alamony as long as she remains unmarried. He cannot marry again until Mrs. Corbett dies. She was authorized to use her maiden name.

HE WANTS HER.

Mary Bomeda's Legal Husband Turns Up

And Wants to Share With Her The

The Diamonds and Real Property

She Obtained From Joe Williams While Living With Him in West Berkeley

"In-a-Garden."

When Mary Williams alias Bomanda walked out of Justice Lord's Courtroom on Tuesday, July 23, 1895, with jewelry amounting in value to over $500, which the Court had restored to her, she was in a happy frame of mind. Today it may be different. This jewelry she had obtained from Joe Williams while living with him as his wife, although they had not been married. This jewelry had formerly belonged to Williams' first wife who had died some years previous.

Joe had become so infatuated with Mary that he was willing to give her everything in the world he was possessed of. In addition to jewelry he also gave her property in San Francisco. Having obtained pretty nearly all of Williams' earthly goods she had no further use for poor Joe and one day she quietly skipped out of West Berkeley and went to San Francisco There she kept out of the way for awhile until Constable Teague saw her on the street and arrested her upon the charge of larceny, that is taking jewelry aforesaid. On her examination it was shown that Joe had given the valuables to her and she was acquitted of the charge and her jewels were restored to her as above related.

Now comes another phase of the story. Of late Mary's first venture in the matrimonial line turned up and has claimed her. The situation of matters was explained to him. Perhaps if Mary had been in a position where she would have to do hard work for a living Bomanda would probably have allowed matters to remain as they were. But with lots, houses and diamonds in her possession he condoned her peccadilloes and once more took her to his heart.

Now Joe Williams was not going to let everything go with Mary. Although he wanted her yet, as he could not have her he wanted his property back. He has commenced suit for it. In the meantime in looking over the records it was discovered that Mary had borrowed $600 on the property from Wilma McNabb at 2 per cent per month.

Should Joe be successful in getting his property restored to him by the Court, who knows but Mary will come along with it.

The Rev. John Kisby, presiding elder of the Oakland conference, will preach at Trinity Methodist Church tomorrow evening. The pastor will preach at the morning service.

Mrs. J. M. Price, who has been visiting in the southern counties retrned home today.

Indian Troubles.

The same story that has been told hundreds of times now comes to the front again in relation to the trouble with the Bannock Indians. White men's treachery causes the trouble. Constable Manning of Wyoming, if the newspaper reports are correct appears to be the man who should be held responsible for killing six defenseless Indians. From this act has arisen all the trouble and expense so far. How much more there is to come no one can tell. There should be a law for the extinction of white murderers as well as red ones. It is probable that the present difficulty may be smoothed over for awhile, but the life of a settler or his family will always be in danger when in the Indian's country.

A Novel Display at El Campo.

The spirit of enterprise and progress so noticeable in the general business revival we are experiencing, is being shown in a marked degree at the popular bay resort El Campo, where a series of new and original attractions are being offered, in addition to its well known advantages as a pleasure resort, where boating, fishing and dancing can be indulged in; also the sunny slopes and shaded dells for the poetic or romantic lover of nature to enjoy unhindered.

Next Sunday afternoon, in addition to all this and a splendid trip across the bay, the visitors can witness a Japanese aerial carnival. The Heavens will for a time be inhabited by animated objects, representing human forms, birds, animals, fishes and grotesque objects. They are packed in bombs which are shot from mortars and are released from the shells which explode at a high altitude, floating balloon fashion and presenting a quaint and interesting tableaux in the air. This sort of exhibition is in great favor at beaches on the Atlantic Coast and will doubtless meet popular favor here.

Fare as usual, 25 cents. Steamers leave Tiburon ferry at 10:30 a. m., 12:10, 2 and 4 p. m. Returning leave El Campo at 11:15 a. m., 1, 3 and 5 p. m.

GAZETTELETS.

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There will be the usual services in all the churches tomorrow.

Trustee Durrell and wife arrived home from the East this forenoon.

Miss Belle and Miss Anice Van Housan haue returned from a pleasant visit to Santa Rosa.

Captain Gage member of the Board of Trustees from the first ward, was taken suddenly ill yesterday and was unable to be present at the Board meeting last evening.

The Berkeley Boys' Brigade, Captain Cleaves commander, have engaged the old pipe works, corner of Third and Addison streets, for a drill room. They could not have secured a better place.

Miss S. E. Richmond and Jennie Hockerty of Baltimore Maryland, cousins of William and Adam Dean of West Berkeley, arrived here today and will be the guests of the Deans during their stay in California.

Theodore M. Kenseff, a native of Bulgaria will lecture at the First Presbyterian church, Berkeley tomorrow evening on "The Life and Manners of the Turkish People," in which he will appear in his native costume. The public are cordially invited to hear him.

The report of Health Officer Rowell shows that there are more births than deaths in Berkeley in the month of July, and that the deaths from infectious or contagious diseases were only three for the same period.

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THE STORY OF A HORSE.

Once upon a time only a couple of years ago, the city of Berkeley purchased a horse. Shortly after the purchase the city of Berkeley changed back to the town government, and the then superintendent of streets had no further use for the horse in his official capacity. He kept him for awhile, however, as the town had no manger nor feed for the animal.

About this time there drifted into Berkeley from Vallejo, or some other seaport, one J. G. Gardner, who desired to furnish Berkeley with electric light if the town would furnish him the plant, for be it known that J. George was not loaded down with the coin of the realm, as he had not been successful in Vallejo. He won the confidence of the Town Board, however, and was soon placed in possession of the electric light plant. He had use for a horse, and his eyes fell upon the one that belonged to the municipality, and he asked that he be allowed to use him and his request was granted. After many days J. George tired of the horse and having an affection for one Andrews, who was in his employ, made him a present of the animal. This gentleman had the horse for a time and then he sold it to Mr. Grant. This gentleman used the animal for a time and then traded it off to another man, who in due course of time sold it to the owner of a German laundry in the neighborhood of Lorin, and there the animal can be found when he is not being used to carry the soiled and clean linen from and to his master's customers.

After listening breathlessly to the wanderings and changes in owners that the horse has been through, the Board of Trustees concluded that as J. George Gardner had received the property from the town he was responsible to the town for the animal's return, so the president of the Board was instructed to see J. George and inform him that the town desired the return of the horse which he in a fit of generosity donated to one of his employees.

ABOUT FRANCHISES.

There promises to be quite a lively time ahead for the Board of Trustees and W. E. Sell and Theodore Wagner, who have made application for a franchise for an electric railroad over certain streets in Berkeley.

The application was made several weeks ago but as there is a provision in the Charter which states that no application for a franchise can be acted upon for 90 days prior to an election or for 70 days after an election, last night was the first meeting night upon which the matter could come up, and the application of W. E. Sell and Theodore Wagner was called up, but there it met a snag, as the Charter again says that no action can be taken upon any franchise unless the application or bids be accompanied by a certified check for $2000. As no check accompanied the application of Messrs. Sell and Wagner, the Board could not entertain the application and it is now laid upon the table.

In speaking of the matter, Attorney Hayne stated to the Board that he had been informed by General Wagner that the provisions of the Charter in reference to the granting of franchises was no good and he intended knocking it out.

The Attorney advised the Board to follow the charter and in doing so they could do nothing with the franchise until the charter provisions were complied with. This would compel Mr. Wagner to mandamus the Board and then the matter would come squarely before the Courts. The Board decided that the advice of the Attorney was sound and the franchise was tabled.

We are sorry that any contest has come up in this matter for we believe that if the franchise were granted that Messrs. Sell and Wagner would commence work upon the road at once and rush it to completion. It looks bad to strangers to see a little bobtailed car running up and down our streets, and many of them form very unpleasant opinions of Berkeley in consequence thereof.

If a nice line of electric cars were running from West Berkeley to Peralta Park and thence to North Berkeley and from there to a connection with one of the electric lines running into Oakland, there would be hundreds of new residences go up and the population of Berkeley would very soon swell up several thousands.

When the Trustees called for bids for macadamizing San Pablo avenue last evening there was no response, and it was said that contractors would not bid for the work under the plans thus far put forward. The only way deemed feasible now is to commence the work all over again, or to have the property owners do the work by private contract. If the work is to be done before the rain sets in it must be commenced very shortly. If the street is not macadamized it will be impassable during the winter. It is the main road from Oakland to San Pablo, Pinole, Port Costa and Martinez, and is very much used by farmers in Contra Costa County who come here to purchase goods or to make a trade of their produce. At the present time it is used by numerous heavy teams that are hauling hay and fruit to Oakland. It is understood that there are but one or two property owners that object to having the street macadamized, and we believe that if they were appealed to in the proper manner that they would consent to have the work done. The avenue has just been graded at a cost to property owners of at least $15,000, and all of the money will have been thrown away if the avenue is not now macadamized.

The Home Creamery in San Luis Obispo County makes about 1000 pounds of butter per day, the price being from 13 1-2 cents to 20 cents per pound. The lowest price was in May.

While many newspapers are doing the you-tickle-me business and I'll tickle you, one notices that not a single one of these sheets quotes from a paper in his own place.

The attempt of the Supervisors of Alameda county to force a useless officer upon the county is going to meet with an opposition which will probably defeat the object. The County Treasurer has refused to pay the first warrant presented by H. N. Herbert, the appointee.

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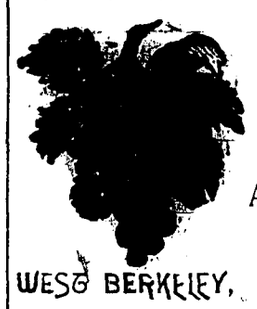
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Power of the Human Jaws.

Dr. G. V. Black, a dentist of Jacksonville, Fla., has made some interesting experiments upon the force exerted by the human jaws in the ordinary mastication of food, and also the greatest force which the jaws are capable of exerting. By means of a spring instrument provided with a registering device he took records of about 150 "bites" of different persons. Of these 50 have been preserved as characteristic of the ordinary man, woman and child. The smallest pressure recorded was 30 pounds, by a little girl 7 years old. This was with the incisors. Using her molars, the same child exerted a force of 65 pounds. The highest record was made by a physician of 35. The instrument used only registered 270 pounds, and he closed it together without apparent effort. There was no method of determining how far above 270 pounds he could have gone. This test was made with the molars. Several persons exceeded a force of 100 pounds with the incisors and 200 with the molars. The physical condition of the persons experimented upon seemed to have little bearing upon the result. Dr. Black is of the opinion that the condition of the peridental membranes is the controlling factor, rather than muscular strength. Dr. Black found that in the habitual chewing of food much more force is exerted than is necessary.

Fidelity and Affection of a Horse.

In the "Memoirs of General Count de Segur," an aid-de-camp of Napoleon, recently published, the following affecting incident is related:

I have said that during the nocturnal attack of the Ukra, on Dec. 23, I was unhorsed. My animal had been wounded by a bullet in his chest, from which the blood was streaming, and as he could no longer carry me I had been forced to leave him, loading his equipment on my shoulders. When I had reached our first outpost, about 300 paces off, I sat down to rest before the fire, in some grief at the loss of my mount, when a plaintive sound and an unexpected contact caused me to turn my head. It was the poor beast, which had revived and had dragged itself in the wake of my footsteps. In spite of the distance and the darkness, it had succeeded in finding me, and recognizing me by the light of the campfire had come up groaning to lay its head on my shoulder. My eyes filled with tears at this last proof of attachment, and I was gently stroking it, when, exhausted from the blood it had lost, and its efforts to follow me, in the midst of the men, who were as surprised and touched as myself, it fell down, struggled for a moment and expired.

Urfa, the Ancient Edessa.

Built half way up the Jebli Nimrud, on a hill above a rushing torrent, it never lacks water or the sound of the perpetual fountain that gained for it in the old days the name Callirrhoe. Water in basins, in drinking places, in small mills; water in the torrents, in the springs and down the sides of streets; everywhere is heard the same bubbling sound so dear to oriental ears. And with it are trees innumerable, great forest trees in the gardens, with walnuts and pomegranates, and fruit of all sorts; gardens everywhere, within and without the town, and a thing seldom to be seen in an eastern town, the large courtyard of the Serai grass grown, with seats and spreading trees on either side.

The bazaars, too, and the streets seem all to share in the charm that water lends. Nowhere else are there such vaulted corridors, tall and wiry, for the market, such splendid caravansaries, built by some magnificent old Turk, of an order since passed away, and where, above all, can be matched the exquisite mosque of Ibrahim-el-Khalil—Abraham, the friend of God—with its stately minaret and marble courtyards reflected in the silent shady pool?—"Six Months In a Syrian Monastery," O. H. Parry.

A Wire Walking Rat.

At the corner of Market and Broad streets, Newark, N. J., there is a thick network of telegraph wires and telephone cables. Late one afternoon the loiterers about the corner witnessed a curious incident. From the roof of the Firemen's insurance building a cable wire extends across Market street to the Postal Telegraph office.

A rat was seen on the wire over the insurance building. He moved slowly along the wire, and by the time he had reached the middle of the street he had a crowd below him that would have delighted the heart of Blondin. He paid no attention to the upturned faces, but continued slowly but surely on his way until he reached the Postal Telegraph building. He lightly leaped from the roof and disappeared. — Philadelphia Record.

Bogus Leather In Shoes.

"For years," said a Maine manufacturer, "shoes of a cheap grade have been made of what is known as leather board. It is a compressed paste. There is a factory in my state which turns out tons of it every month. Many of these shoes are sent to Central and South America, and, as a matter of fact, thousands are sold here.

"As long as the weather is dry they wear first rate, but when you strike a rain you're gone almost surely. Two wettings, and you want to look out. When you invest in shoes, be sure they are what you want. Leather is expensive, and you can't cover your feet with it for a trifle."—New York World.

Dean Hole and the Oxford Snob.

Dean Hole, the distinguished English churchman, dearly loves a good joke. One day a somewhat snobbish Oxford friend of his, wishing to impress upon the dean the high social character of his familiar acquaintances, wrote him a letter, beginning:

"My dear countess," and then scratching out "countess" substituted "Hole."

Whereupon the dean, not to be outdone, began his reply, "My dear queen," and then drew his pen through "queen" and substituted "Dick."

A Queer Flower.

One of the vegetable marvels of July is the fraxinella, or dittany, an old fashioned flowering plant, native in southern Europe and Asia and much cultivated in the gardens of our grandmothers. The plant has showy flowers—white, red and rosy—and an odor that belongs to the leaves as well as to the blossoms.

The plant, if visited at night with a lighted match, is suddenly enveloped with blue flames, as is the hand that bears the match. The flames are harmless and are caused by the combustion of a volatile oil that is secreted by the plant. This oil, in the form of vapor, impregnates the air immediately about the plant and is ignited at the approach of a light. The plant blooms abundantly, and the pyrotechnic display may be repeated night after night, especially if the condition of the atmosphere is favorable.

The plant obtains its name of dittany from the fact that it grows wild upon Mount Dicte, in the island of Crete. It is by no means so well known now as it once was, since the gay flowers of old fashioned country gardens have given place to more æsthetic and less showy blossoms.—New York Sun.

An Indian Sea Serpent Legend.

The red men of the west have many curious legends concerning the rivers, lakes and mountains of that region, none more weird than that which is told concerning Rock lake, Washington. Since time out of memory the Indian tribes of that vicinity have believed the lake to be inhabited by a sea monster, which never grows old, and whose chief diet is Indian flesh. According to the legend, no Indian ever entered its waters and returned therefrom alive, no matter whether the rash act was committed by approaching its margin for a drink, for a plunge and a swim, or for a canoe ride upon its placid bosom. All of the Indians of the northwest know of the terrors of Rock lake, and each and every one would prefer death with a poisoned arrow rather than to touch its waters. The last Rock lake horror, according to the legend, was in 1858, when a whole band of noble red men were sent to the happy hunting grounds by the monster.—St. Louis Republic.

Molly Maguire Warnings.

President Andrews, in a Scribner historical paper, gives the following examples of the Molly Maguire warnings. One admonition ran:

"Now men i have warented ye before and i willnt warind you no mor—but i will gwrintee you the will be the report of the revolver."

A rude drawing of a revolver was subjoined as the author's sign manual.

Others were: "Any blackleg that takes a Union Man's job while he is standing for his rights will have a hard road to travel and if he don't he will have to suffer the consequences."

This "Notice" was followed by a picture of a dead man in his coffin and signed "Beacher and Tilton."

At Locust Summit, March 31, 1875, was posted the following: "Mr. Blacklegs if you don't leave in 2 days time you meet your doom there vill be an open war—imeateatly."

Royalty on the Rails.

It may not be generally known that a telegraphist always travels by "royal trains." In case of any mishap a ladder is placed against the nearest telegraph post and a wire tied or connected with an instrument which the telegraph clerk works while sitting on the bank.

By this means word can be at once sent to the nearest railway station, giving instructions that assistance must be sent at once to such and such a spot.

When a train with the sovereign on board is traveling, all the men in responsible positions all along the line are forewarned. Once on the Brighton line a trial was made. The royal train was stopped, and the telegraphist sent word in the way just described. The result was most satisfactory, and the royal personage was well pleased at the promptitude with which a relief party arrived from a place some miles distant.—Pearson's Weekly.

Mouth Dyspepsia.

A writer in Modern Medicine asserts that "mouth dyspepsia is coming to be a very common disorder. It has further," he says, "been repeatedly demonstrated that a decayed tooth is frequently the starting point of a pyæmic process, and it has also been shown that tubercular and other disease germs may find entrance to the body through cavities in decaying teeth. It must not be forgotten also that these cavities are the favorite habitat of many pathogenic microbes, which, feeding upon particles of retained food, speedily develop and through increase in number acquire the ability to overcome the resistance of the body."

The Wrong Boy.

An amusing table of a phrenologist's mistake is credited to John Burroughs, the author and horticulturist. "Here's a boy," said the professor in examining the head of the youthful Burroughs, "who will amass great wealth. All his ideas will be of money and money making. He will be immensely rich and a power in that line." "The trouble was," says Mr. Burroughs, "that he struck the wrong boy. It's a pity he hadn't gone in the next door and got hold of the boy there, for that boy was Jay Gould. We used to go to school together."—Philadelphia Press.

A Weather Perch.

Farmer Dunn, the weather prophet, has a very cool place during the warm season, his office being 365 feet above the sidewalk. At such a height the brisk breezes from the ocean render summer very tolerable, but during the keen blasts of winter this elevation is far from enviable. Farmer Dunn was for 24 years at the summit of the Equitable building, which he only left for the loftier Manhattan. We used to think Trinity church very tall, but Farmer Dunn is nearly 70 feet above the gilt cross which crowns the sphere.—New York Letter.

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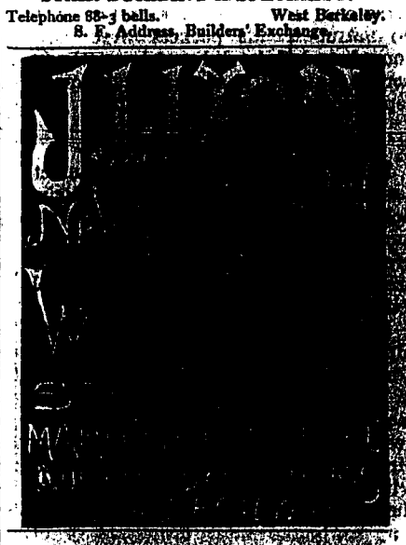

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Albert Edward, prince of Wales, is perhaps the most popular man in England. This popularity is due to his love of sports and all manly traits which are particularly commendable in the eyes of the average Britisher. As a youth his audacity and appreciation of a joke, either as a perpetrator or victim, were well known.

One of his early escapades resulted in her majesty the queen footing a bill for broken crockery and wrecked furniture which the young prince caused in the house of one of the lesser members of the nobility. A rather elderly countess whose quick temper and sharp tongue drove even her servants away from her advertised for a footman. The prince, to whose ears tales of the peculiarities of the old lady had come, resolved to teach her a lesson. He therefore presented himself in disguise at her ladyship's house and applied for the position of footman.

The countess had just finished her breakfast, and pushing her chair back from the table instructed the servant to bring before her the applicant. The prince was thereupon ushered into the room. The countess looked him over from his feet up.

Apparently pleased with the appearance of the prince, she said, "Let me see you walk."

Albert Edward did as commanded and walked backward and forward several times across the floor from one end of the room to the other, now walking briskly at the request of the old lady and then pacing slowly, as she wished to obtain points on this score.

This performance over, the countess ordered him to trot. The dining room still the theater of action, the prince trotted around it several times. When this exercise was completed, he again came to a standstill near the head of the table, where the countess was seated. Her ladyship seemed pleased and was just on the point of asking the young man some questions about himself when he shouted:

"Now see me gallop!"

Grasping a corner of the tablecloth firmly in one hand, the prince rushed around the room, pulling the crockery off on the floor in a heap, knocking over the furniture and finally winding her ladyship up in the folds of the cloth. He then bolted for the door, leaving the countess sputtering and shouting and the servants running about in a distracted way to liberate their mistress and quiet her rage.

In the hubbub and confusion the prince escaped. The next day a check from the keeper of the privy purse settled the amount of the damages and likewise established the identity of the mischief maker.—New York Herald.

Some Everyday Mistakes.

Current natural history is sometimes very amusing. An observant country boy can give you more reliable information in half an hour than many of the writers who are accepted as authority. Two examples of the fallacies of the latter have been going the rounds. One was an article on the cricket, which was described as a very dainty insect with a delicate appetite. There is in reality but one that is more voracious, and that is the cockroach. The cricket has a robust taste for almost anything, especially farinaceous matter, and it is very destructive to clothing. A housekeeper had her lace curtains eaten up, and the writer remembers once visiting in a house where the walls had been ceiled and papered. The paper hung loose here and there, due to the crickets that gnawed through to get at the paste that had been used by the paper hangers.

Another story was of the marvelous self control of a man who discovered that a black snake had concealed itself in the pocket of his coat, which he had thrown aside in the field and donned again, very stupidly, without discovering the reptile. This of itself was surprising, as it is generally from four to five feet in length and and weighs several pounds. The black snake of the northern middle states is as harmless as the toad, and, moreover, is extremely cowardly. Its greatest fault is its destructiveness of young birds—the broods of those species which nest in low shrubs or upon the ground. But a man might carry one in each pocket and come to no harm, if his pockets were large enough and if he did not have the inherent animosity of mankind toward reptiles.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Humming Birds and Flowers.

It has long been known that insects assist plants by carrying the fertilizing pollen from flower to flower, but the fact has only recently been prominently brought forward that humming birds are just as effective distributors of pollen as insects are.

It has been shown that these little birds, which are as fond as bees of the honey of flowers, carry the pollen grains in great quantity, not only on their feathers, but on their long bills also. Indeed, so well suited is the humming bird to do this work of distribution, without any intention of its own, that the question has been raised whether it may not be the most beneficent of all the unconscious friends that the flowers have in the animal world.—Youth's Companion.

Voluminous.

A Philadelphia lawyer said a very bright thing the other day. He was seated with a group of friends, and they were discussing in a desultory way the leading topics of the day. One of the parties present, Mr. ——, persisted in monopolizing more than his share of the conversation, and his views did not at all accord with those of the lawyer. As the men separated one of them said to the lawyer:

"That —— knows a good deal, doesn't he?"

"Yes," replied the lawyer; "he knows entirely too much for one man; he ought to be incorporated."—Green Bag.

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The Lights of the Sea.

Some years ago the natives near Bombay gave accounts of a wonderful flaming creature that they declared had been seen sailing through the heavens, but had dropped into the sea and remained there for many years swimming near the shore. After a long search and much inquiry, a scientist discovered that this so called celestial monster was a jellyfish of a most remarkable sort. It had tentacles over 300 feet long, and an enormous head, that glowed like an incandescent light. The tentacles shone with a phosphorescent gleam and lighted up the sea for a long distance. At length one of the creatures washed ashore and was carefully studied by the naturalist. It was supposed that a comet, which had appeared in the heavens and disappeared afterward, was connected in the minds of this imaginative people with the jellyfish. There are scores of phosphorescent creatures in the depths of the ocean, many of which have never been described, some of them being so remarkable that accurate accounts of them would tax the credulity of simple folk.—New York Ledger.

Mme. Feuillet Made Worth Famous.

It is not generally known that Worth owed his first introduction to Empress Eugenie to Mme. Octave Feuillet, then, as now, one of the most charming women in Paris. Feuillet, then at the beginning of his great career, had just won the heart of the empress by writing for her private theatricals "Les Portraits de la Marquise," in which his royal patron took the principal part, but which was so cleverly constructed that none of the other characters was allowed the slightest liberties with the person of the empress. Soon after this Mme. Feuillet dined at the Tuileries, and Eugenie complimented her upon her gown and asked the name of her dressmaker.

"Your majesty, it is a man—an Englishman. His name is Worth, and he has only been in Paris a little while," replied Mme. Feuillet.

"He knows how to design a woman's dress," said the empress critically. "You must send him here."

So the lilac dress of the playwright's wife made the fortune of Worth.—Paris Letter.

The Dakota river was called by the Indians Chaussan, "the tumbler."

Neander, the Jewish Historian.

The new life of John Cairns, the celebrated Scotch divine, contains a pen sketch of Neander, the great Jewish ecclesiastical historian. Cairns attended his lectures at the University of Berlin in 1843 and describes him as a little man with a face that was pale, sallow and expressionless, a low forehead, and nothing striking in his features but his black eyebrows. He was dressed in a dirty brown coat, blue plush trousers and dirty top boots. As the distinguished man stood and lectured to his students he punctured every sentence by spitting, so that the floor had to be cleaned when he had finished. And this was the old man who, "for knowledge, spirituality, good sense and indomitable spirit of the finest discretion on moral subjects, was a marvel."

A Misfit Sermon.

An English clergyman who was suddenly called on to preach to a congregation of college students was unable to speak without notes and had only one written sermon with him, which was on the duties of the married state. The topic was hardly one that he would have chosen for the occasion, but he hoped that it would pass muster as being appropriate by anticipation. But unfortunately he did not read the sermon over, and so before he knew it he had uttered this appeal, "And now a word to you who are mothers."—New York Tribune.

All He Could Do.

"Mr. Lively," said the managing editor, "we'd like to have you draw something comic."

"Yes, sir."

"Without making reference to the new woman."

"Y-yes, sir."

"Or the bicycle."

The artist turned away in silent dejection. In a few minutes he returned and laid a sheet of paper on the desk.

"I've drawn up my resignation."—Washington Star.

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In the matter of George M. Gropp, an insolvent debtor.

Notice is hereby given to all the creditors of George M. Gropp, the above-named insolvent, who have proved their debts, that said insolvent has this day applied to this Court for a discharge from his debts, and that the 2nd day of September, A. D. 1895, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the Court-Room of said Court, Department No. 3 thereof in the City of Oakland, County of Alameda, has been fixed as the time and place for said creditors to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said insolvent's application should not be granted, and he be discharged from all his debts, in accordance with the Statutes in such cases made and provided.

Witness my hand and the Seal of said Superior Court this 30th day of July, 1895.

{SEAL} FRANK C. JORDAN, Clerk.
By F. B. ADAMS, Deputy Clerk.
89—1m

Dated July 30, 1885.

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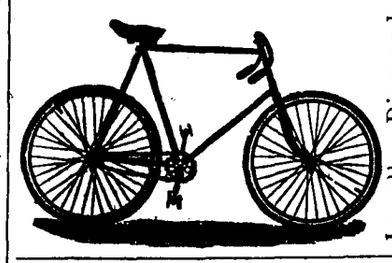

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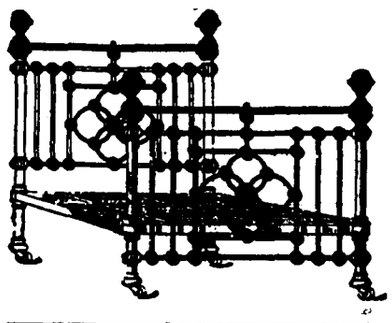

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